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Oswald Literature Distribution-WDSU film and stills 1/5/69
Charles Hall Steele, Jr; 3rd man

Paul Hoch points out that, if taken literally, the attached FBI report (CD 75:887) says that Steele said that the six stills from WDSU's film do not show the other man helping with the pamphleteering.

It is, of course, also possible that the FBI reporting is not as faithful as it should have been.

However, this report also reflects early official knowledge of the 3rd man and, with the question of conspiracy so vital (and so urgently to be avoided) makes more culpable the failure to really seek him. Note that one of the glaring omissions in the report is any indication that a description of the third man was either sought or gotten from Steele, when it was relatively fresh in his mind.

This report also confirms that it was Rush who provided the stills, and that the FBI had them early enough to be showing them to witnesses by 11/26/63.

Is it not also strange that this report discloses no official interest in how or why Steele was helping the man by then believed to have been the assassin of the President of the United States? Or anything he may have seen, heard or guessed about the "assassin".

However, this allusion to what is not shown in the sets of six still WDSU pictures is inconsistent with what I recall from reports earlier sent you, that they do seem to show someone else helping Oswald. I'd be inclined to believe Steele, whoxx impressed me as intending honesty and no exaggerations.